

CANDY BOYCOTT URGED TO END SUGAR SHORTAGE

NEW YORK, April 25.—"Boycott candy, pastry, and soda water for thirty days," is the advice of Commissioner of Markets Edwin J. O'Malley, to relieve the sugar shortage, which he attributed not to the real lack of supply, but rather to the fact that the sugar supply has been secured by manufacturers.

U. S. LEPROS PLAN CAPITAL PARADE

Early "Master Mind" in Plot to Break Quarantine and March Here.

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many Congressmen will remain in their seats should the lepers intrude on the Capitol.

Dr. William C. Fowler, District health officer, has taken steps to have Centlivre returned to New Orleans. Dr. Fowler does not feel Centlivre could be a "guest" of the District. He has urged the Public Health Service to take the man back to New Orleans, in a box car, if necessary.

But Centlivre does not want to return to New Orleans. He appears contented at his "home" back of the District quarantine station, probably cheered by the belief that his fellow members of the "leper fraternity" will soon come to Washington.

"Leak" in Their Plans.

That there was a leak in the plans of the lepers to march on the Capitol is indicated by the fact that Dr. Allen J. McLaughlin, assistant surgeon general and director of the Interstate Quarantine Service, yesterday sent a letter to Dr. Oscar Dowling, State health officer of Louisiana, notifying him of the reported plan of the lepers to march on the Capitol.

When Early escaped from the quarantine hospital here, in 1908, he was hounded from one end of the United States to another. Early is probably the "master mind" in the plans of the lepers to come to Washington. Centlivre told a reporter for The Washington Times, following his surrender to the Public Health Service officials recently, that "Early is coming to Washington." He was asked how Early could come here when he was under guard in the leprosarium at New Orleans. "Oh, he will find a way to get out and come here," said Centlivre. "Early told me to say he was coming to the Capital."

Many Unaccounted For.

Many lepers unaccounted for by public health service—that they were scattered in various cities, but are in touch with each other.

In a recent talk here W. N. Danney, American secretary of the Mission of Lepers, said Congress has appropriated \$250,000 for a leper hospital in the United States, but that he had seen, as this was one of the public buildings for which there was no scramble on the part of cities.

Here are some of the startling things he said in the course of a fervent appeal:

"There are 2,000,000 lepers in the world.

"There are 3,000 persons afflicted with the disease in North America.

"One of every 750 persons in the world has leprosy.

"Lepros colonies, some with populations as high as 5,000, have regular municipal governments.

"Improved healing methods have reduced the disease 50 per cent, and it is expected the plague will soon be conquered."

Less Contagious Than Flu.

"Leprosy is less contagious than influenza, as is shown by hundreds of missionaries who have spent their lives among the afflicted. I have been

MRS. NELLIE HENRY McGEE, once wife of the famous jockey, Milton Henry, who rode in France for Baron Rothschild, who was yesterday awarded a divorce from her second husband, Frank McGee.



Her decree was granted on evidence obtained in an apartment raid, where, it was testified, McGee, a former detective-sergeant, was found with a "beautiful young woman."

In perhaps a hundred segregated camps and colonies, and have never developed any of the symptoms."

In discussing leprosy recently, Dr. W. C. Rucker, former assistant surgeon general, declared:

"Leprosy is here. We have three State leprosariums, but the floating cases, of which there is no record obtainable, are more than people wish to imagine. Why there is such a terror of the disease is easy to understand—it is a matter of ignorance and superstition. There is more danger in the United States today from an equally loathsome and contagious disease, tuberculosis, than there is from leprosy over which there is so much horror."

BARRED AS CANDIDATE BY TREATY IDEAS, SAYS TAFT

Former President Regards Himself As Unavailable For Nomination.

CHICAGO, April 25.—Wm. H. Taft regards himself as unavailable for the Republican nomination for President because of his support of the peace treaty. David Herriott, a treaty enthusiast, who wrote to the former President asking him to become a candidate for the nomination, made public the following reply:

"I am glad to know you feel as I do in respect to the treaty. Your suggestion of a remedy I value as a compliment, but not as a possible solution. My attitude toward the treaty as put such a proposal out of the range of practical possibility."

HOUSE WOULD CUT WAR RISK RED TAPE

Veterans May Pay Premiums At Local Postoffices Under Bill Reported Favorably.

Elimination of many of the annoyances of the present "red tape" of the Bureau of War Risk Insurance, and increased efficiency in the bureau's transactions with former soldiers holding Government policies is expected to result from the enactment of a bill ordered favorably reported by the House Interstate Commerce Committee.

Congressman Sweet, Republican of Iowa, chairman of the subcommittee which framed the measure, and insurance expert on the committee, said today the legislation will be submitted to the House this week. Its passage will be expedited.

One of the features of the bill which is expected to prove most popular with the ex-service men is a provision which would permit the veterans to pay their premiums at their local postoffices.

Relieved of Payments.

Under the proposed legislation the following classes of former soldiers would be relieved of the payment of premiums on renewable term insurance:

1. Those who are receiving hospital care under the bureau, the relief to extend during the period of their confinement to hospitals.
2. Those who are receiving voca-

Army Aviator Climbs From Speeding Train To Moving Aeroplane

Arthur Oakley, a former commissioned flying instructor in the aviation service, has just performed the feat of climbing from the top of a train running seventy miles an hour to an aeroplane at Ellington field, Houston, Tex., according to an announcement made by the War Department today.

A suspension ladder weighted down at both ends was dropped from the fuselage of the aeroplane and was grasped by Oakley. As a compliment for the feat an oil magnate of Houston gave him a ten-acre royalty.

tional training under the Vocational Rehabilitation Act, the relief to continue during the course of training.

Those who are temporarily totally disabled by reason of an injury or disease entitled them to compensation, the relief to extend during the period of such disability.

The ex-service men, it is estimated, would be saved \$5,000,000 for the fiscal year 1921 under this provision.

Free Medical Care.

The bill also directs the bureau to furnish free to all honorably discharged officers and men disabled by reason of any wound, or injury, or disease contracted while in the service hospital, dental, medical and surgical care and treatment and prosthetic appliances. To enjoy the benefits of this section the ex-service men would be required to make application within one year after the date of discharge, or within one year after passage of the proposed act.

Establishment of fourteen regional offices in the United States and its territorial possessions is provided for in the bill. The Public Health Service and Federal Board for Vocational Education already have such branches, and it is the plan to have the duties performed by all three of these governmental agencies coordinated.

Agencies at Home.

In addition to paying his premiums at local postoffices, the veteran, under this plan, also would be enabled to make application in his home community for reinstatement if he has allowed his policy to lapse, or to have his policy converted into another type of insurance. In other words, the proposed legislation is designed to offer every facility for the ex-service men to handle his business with the War Risk Insurance Bureau and other governmental agencies created for their benefit in the most convenient and efficient manner.

An appropriation of \$1,000,000 would be required for the establishment and maintenance of the branch offices.

ROSENTHAL ANGLE IN CHICAGO KILLING

Labor Leader Shot in Office Was to Make Graft Exposures, Say Police.

CHICAGO, April 25.—The murder of Edward Coleman, a Chicago labor leader shot down in his office Thursday, today developed aspects similar to those in New York's notorious Herman Rosenthal slaying. State's Attorney Macley Hoyne announced that the killing of Coleman took place as he was about to make graft exposures, involving officials said to be "high up in local politics."

The alleged graft involved a hotel in which Coleman and a man known as "Stutty" Looney were interested. An hour before Coleman was slain, he and Looney went to the State's attorney's office and asked to see Hoyne. Because the latter was not there, they went away, saying they would call the next day.

Coleman went back to his office and was shot as he entered the door. The police are reported to have the name of his slayer, and the arrest of the latter is expected today.

COLLEGES BEQUEATHED FUNDS BY VAIL WILL

NEW YORK, April 25.—His deep interest in the advancement of education and culture is attested by the will of Theodore N. Vail, the great pioneer and organizer of the telephone system of today.

Among the provisions of the will are bequests to Harvard University, to the Massachusetts Institute of Technology for the benefit of the Vail library, to Dartmouth College, to Princeton University, to Middlebury College and to Phillips Exeter Academy. He expressed the hope that future sums will be available for memorials to his son, Davis Righter Vail, at Harvard University, Dartmouth College and Phillips Exeter Academy.

It also reveals his unique idea of making his homestead in Morristown, N. J., a center of education and culture for his home community, providing that it shall be known as "Vail House" and occupied by some appropriate society and kept in perpetual use. The society shall maintain the history and traditions of New Jersey in general and Morris county in particular, the will provides. It shall also maintain a course of lectures, musicals and other amusements for the public free.

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